

## Light of Blessings 光明灯



Light is one of the five offerings devotees generally make to deities. It is interpreted to illuminate the way and signifies a "bright" future.

Thian Hock Keng invites devotees to register for the Light of Blessings (光明灯) for oneself and/or your loved ones. Names of devotees will be placed on crystal

Mazu and illuminated on the eve of Chinese New Year (CNY) on 15 Feb 2018 at 11am.

Placement period: eve of CNY to the 24th day of the 12th Lunar month

Fee: \$60.00

For enquiries/registration, please call 6423 4616.

## 24th Day of the 12th Lunar Month

The 24th Day of the 12th Lunar month is said to be the day the Kitchen God (灶神) returns to the Heavenly Jade Palace and reports to the Jade Emperor of what one has done in the past year. Chinese families will offer sweet delicacies hoping that the Kitchen God will only say "sweet things". It is also a day when Chinese families carry out cleaning of the house and putting up of decorations to prepare for CNY.



The 24th Day of the 12th Lunar month falls on Friday, 9 Feb 2018.

## **Entering A Temple**

Do you know that we **should** not enter a temple via the central door? The central door is usually used by deities, senior monks and dignitaries. There is a Chinese saying: "左青龙右白虎" which symbolizes "Enter by the dragon's door and exit the tiger's mouth".

A dragon and a tiger mark the main entrance and exit of Thian Hock Keng.



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